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and are glad to know that there is so much room for improvement. We wish the *Kalender* every success, and hope to see it a permanent institution, and call upon American botanists to see that our botanical institutions are fully and correctly represented in the edition for 1900. The book is published by the Borntraegers at Berlin for three marks.

**The Beiträge zur Biologie der Pflanzen**, published at irregular intervals under the editorial care of the late Professor Cohn, of Breslau, has been recommenced with Dr. Brefeld as editor. While the retention of the original title is entirely commendable, it is to be regretted that the new volume should be issued as "Herausgegeben von Dr. Ferdinand Cohn." A change in expression, similar to that made on the title-page of the *Jahrbücher für wissenschaftlichen Botanik* after Professor Pringsheim's death, would better have expressed the facts, while securing the desirable perpetuation of Professor Cohn's name in connection with the journal.

"**Natural Science**," with the initial number of Vol. XIV, the first under the new management, makes its appearance in a new dress. The greenish tint of the cover has given way to a grayer tone, and the typography of the title-page is somewhat changed. The journal is now printed on heavier calendered paper, and is, on the whole, improved in appearance. The general makeup is unchanged, except for the addition of the new column of "Fresh Facts," which comprises brief references to facts of interest in current literature. We wish our esteemed contemporary a most prosperous and happy new year.